Reference Tool for Transferring Public Employee's Benefits March 2010

This chart describes how longevity, accrued leave, health benefits, and leave accrual rates are treated under the Montana Code Annotated (MCA) and the Montana Operations Manual (MOM) policies for a new employee transferring from another public employer in the state of Montana. The chart below describes how each of these benefits is affected when the new employee is from another state agency, the university system, or other "local" public employment.

| Benefit | State Agency to State Agency | University System to State Agency | Local Government to State Agency |
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| Annual Leave | if no break in service, all credits transfer | if no break in service, all credits transfer (except persons hired under personal services contracts) | cashed out, does not transfer |
| Sick Leave | if no break in service, all credits transfer | if no break in service, all credits transfer (except persons hired under personal services contracts) | cashed out, does not transfer |
| Non-Exempt Comp Time | cash out all accrued non-exempt comp time | cashed out, does not transfer | does not transfer |
| Exempt Comp Time | if new agency agrees, can transfer up to 120 hrs; cannot be cashed out | if new agency agrees, can transfer up to 120 hrs | does not transfer |
| Annual Leave Accelerated Hours | transfer for purposes of annual leave accrual | with documentation, hours credited | with documentation, hours credited |
| Longevity | if no break in service, transfers | if no break in service, receive credit for time served (except persons hired under personal services contracts) | treat as new employee |
| Health Benefits | transfer with employee | treat as new employee | treat as new employee |

